

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
WESTERN DISTRICT OF NORTH CAROLINA  
CHARLOTTE DIVISION  
3:15-cv-00386-RJC**

**SEDINA BRAKMIC,**  
  
**Plaintiff,**

**v.**

**CAROLYN W. COLVIN,**  
**Acting Commissioner of Social Security,**  
  
**Defendant.**

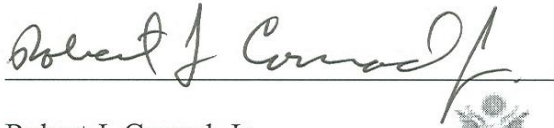
**ORDER**

**THIS MATTER** comes before the Court on Plaintiff's Motion for Attorneys' Fees pursuant to the Equal Access to Justice Act ("EAJA"), 28 U.S.C. § 2412, filed on April 21, 2016. (Doc. No. 10). Defendant objected to Plaintiff's requested hourly rate, (Doc. No. 11), and Plaintiff replied by consenting to the rate of \$125.00 per hour and amending her request for attorneys' fees to reflect that rate, (Doc. No. 12). Having reviewed the Motion, supporting materials, memoranda, and the case file, the Court determines that Plaintiff should be awarded attorneys' fees under EAJA, 28 U.S.C. § 2412(d), in the amount of \$3,300.00.

**IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED** that Plaintiff's Motion for Attorneys' Fees, (Doc. No. 10), is **GRANTED** as amended. The Court will award attorneys' fees in the amount of \$3,300.00, and pursuant to Comm'r of Soc. Sec. v. Ratliff, 560 U.S. 586 (2010), the fee award will first be subject to offset of any debt Plaintiff may owe to the United States. The Commissioner will determine whether Plaintiff owes a debt to the United States. If so, that debt will be satisfied first, and if any funds remain, they will be made payable to Plaintiff and mailed to Plaintiff's counsel. If the United States Department of the Treasury reports to the Commissioner that the Plaintiff does not owe any debt, the Government will exercise its

discretion and honor an assignment of EAJA fees, and pay those fees directly to Plaintiff's counsel. No additional petition pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 2412(d) shall be filed.

Signed: May 20, 2016

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Robert J. Conrad, Jr.", written over a horizontal line.

Robert J. Conrad, Jr.  
United States District Judge

